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WRITTEN OPINION OF THE
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(PCT Rule 43bis.1)

<p>Applicant's or agent's file reference 80718269 B</p>		<p>Date of mailing (day/month/year) 24 AUG 2004</p>	
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1. This opinion contains indications relating to the following items:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Box No. I | Basis of the opinion |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Box No. II | Priority |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Box No. III | Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Box No. IV | Lack of unity of invention |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Box No. V | Reasoned statement under Rule 43bis.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Box No. VI | Certain documents cited |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Box No. VII | Certain defects in the international application |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Box No. VIII | Certain observations on the international application |

2. **FURTHER ACTION**

If a demand for international preliminary examination is made, this opinion will be considered to be a written opinion of the International Preliminary Examining Authority ("IPEA") except that this does not apply where the applicant chooses an Authority other than this one to be the IPEA and the chosen IPEA has notified the International Bureau under Rule 66.1bis(b) that written opinions of this International Searching Authority will not be so considered.

If this opinion is, as provided above, considered to be a written opinion of the IPEA, the applicant is invited to submit to the IPEA a written reply together, where appropriate, with amendments, before the expiration of 3 months from the date of mailing of Form PCT/ISA/220 or before the expiration of 22 months from the priority date, whichever expires later.

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3. For further details, see notes to Form PCT/ISA/220.

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Box No. I **Basis of the opinion**

1. With regard to the language, this opinion has been established on the basis of the international application in the language in which it was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.
☐ This opinion has been established on the basis of a translation from the original language into the following language , which is the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of international search (under Rules 12.3 and 23.1(b)).
2. With regard to any nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosed in the international application and necessary to the claimed invention, this opinion has been established on the basis of:
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☐ a sequence listing
☐ table(s) related to the sequence listing
 - b. format of material
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4. Additional comments:

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Box No. V

Reasoned statement under Rule 43bis.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement

1. Statement

Novelty (N)	Claims 1-21	YES
	Claims None	NO
Inventive step (IS)	Claims 1-21	YES
	Claims None	NO
Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims 1-21	YES
	Claims None	NO

2. Citations and explanations:

Documents:

D1: ES 2169665A (OLYMPLAY SA), 1 July 2002

D2: GB 2322397A (CHANT et al), 26 August 1998

D3: Patent Abstracts of Japan, JP 2000144612A (MITSUI CHEMICALS INC et al), 26 May 2000

D4: Patent Abstracts of Japan, JP 06-240611A (UBE Industries Ltd.), 30 August 1994

2.1 Novelty (N) and Inventive Step(IS):

None of the documents cited in the International Search Report or any combination of them can be considered to anticipate the invention as defined in claims 1-21. The cited documents describe only the general state of the art, which is not considered to be of particular relevance to the invention. Therefore, the claims are considered to meet the criteria of Novelty, Inventive Step.

2.2 All the claims conform to the criteria of Industrial Applicability